



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: **RUBEN et al.**

Application Serial No.: 09/961,376

Art Unit: 1646

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Examiner: Mertz, P.

For: Human Tumor Necrosis Factor Receptor TR17

Atty Docket No.: **PF524P1**

**PROVISIONAL ELECTION WITH TRAVERSE**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.143 AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed January 8, 2004, please enter the following provisional election, with traverse, and consider the remarks below. Applicants submit concurrently herewith:

- (a) a Fee Transmittal, together with the appropriate fee(s);
- (b) a Petition for Extension of Time of one (1) month; and

Prior to further examination, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.  
Remarks begin on page 12.